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Subject: News Coverage for Pennsylvania Mine Site near Keystone CO

Sandy and Rich,

Just a quick heads up that there is likely to be news coverage related to a previous scheduled public tour of the Pennsylvania Mine response site. We are in the process of installing a second bulkhead at the mine (which is what we were assessing the potential for at the Gold King Mine before it blew). We've been informed that there are 2 TV stations (7 and 9?) that will be attending the public tour and I expect that they will ask questions related to the Gold King.

Overall, I feel that this will be positive news coverage as the Penn Mine was successfully plugged last year. There were minimal difficulties associated with installation of the bulkhead (several small surges of mine drainage while removing debris). The second bulkhead will be installed in front of the first and serve to control flow emanating from a second tunnel. There is no ponded water associated with this second bulkhead so no potential for blowout. OSC Paul Peronard will be leading the tour. I'll let you know if I hear anything more. - lw

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